GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
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POWER GENERATION FROM SOLAR PLANTS
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether US-based Astonfield Renewable Resources Ltd., is set to generate electricity from solar energy plants in West Bengal, Rajasthan and other regions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the power generation capacity likely to be added by these plants;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal for setting up of such plants in other States;and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY(DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

(a),(b),(c)&(d): M/s Astonfield Solar Private Limited, Mumbai, which is a part of the Astonfield group, has informed that the company is pursuing setting up of solar power projects in West Bengal (5MW), Haryana (3MW), Karnataka (10MW) and Gujarat (200MW). The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has received a proposal from the company to set up a 5 MW capacity grid interactive solar power plant at Bankura in West Bengal. The company has estimated that about 7 million units of electricity can be generated from the plant. The company has recently submitted information about some of the clearances obtained by them from the local authorities.